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## Vehicle Entry Crime Analysis Report



**St. Thomas Police Service**

**Data: January 1, 2021 through to May 18, 2021**

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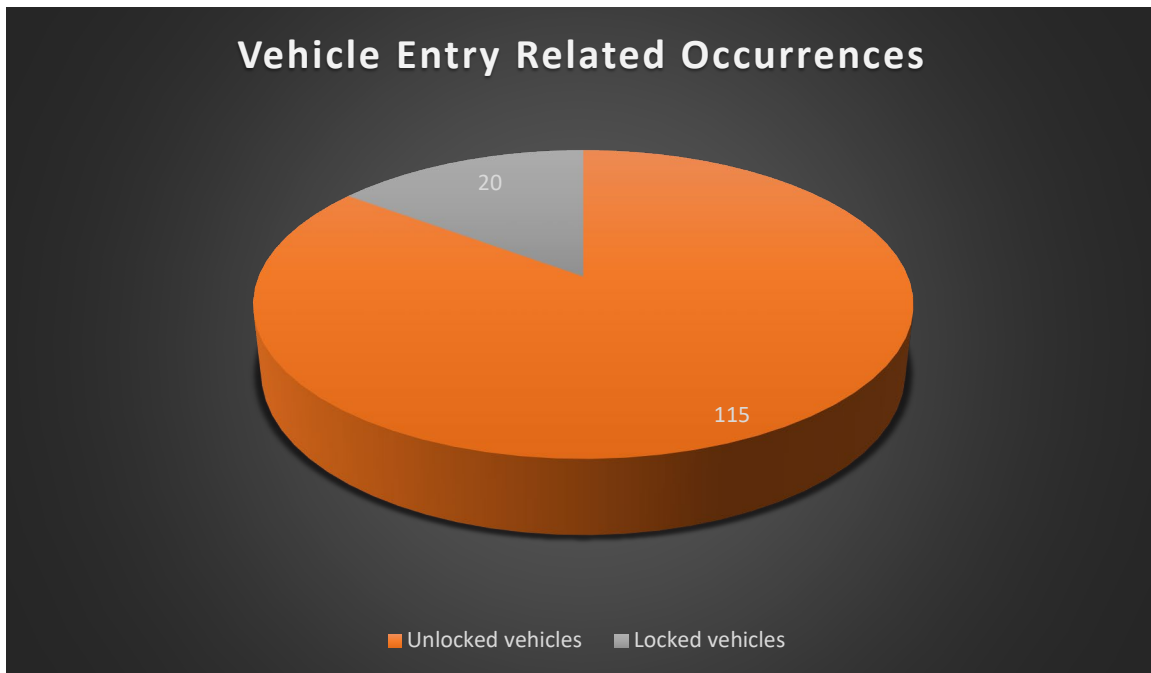
## Request

On May 11, 2021, I was tasked with compiling data regarding reported vehicle entry related occurrences within the City of St. Thomas and compiling a report. I was asked to look at all occurrences between January 1, 2021 through May 18, 2021. We were interested in determining number of vehicle entries, how many vehicles were unlocked, how many vehicles were locked and of the locked vehicles how many were damaged, items stolen, and suspects, or persons of interest, charged persons.

I comprised a raw data spreadsheet and looked at the following for each incident:

- Number of vehicle entry occurrences
- Were the vehicles locked or unlocked
- Damage to locked vehicles and types of items stolen
- Locked vehicles, attempt entry or peering into vehicle
- Was there a suspect or person of interest
- Were there charges laid

The data was used to make the following conclusions. Between January 1, 2021 through May 18, 2021, there were a total of **135 vehicle entry related occurrences** in the City of St. Thomas, ON.

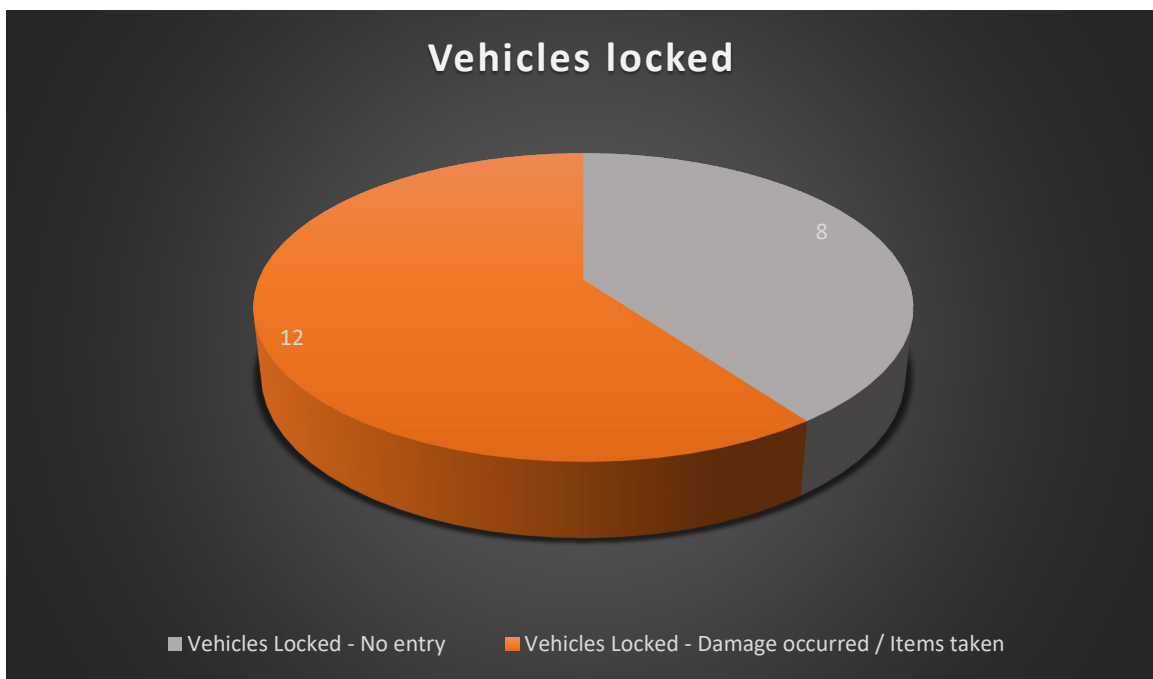


### **Damaged to locked vehicles and items stolen**

Police report that of the 20 locked vehicles 12 of them sustained damage to gain entry. Damaged vehicle entries reported the following items missing;

loose change, keys, cigarettes, wallets, purse, cheques, cellphone, batteries, propane tanks, generator, and lawn equipment

### **Locked vehicles - no entry compared to locked vehicles damaged and entry gained**



Locked vehicles with damage often had items left inside the vehicle in plain view making it a target for suspects.

Locked vehicles with no damage often had no items of value visible within the vehicle.

### **Suspects or Persons of Interest and Charges Laid Related to Vehicle Entry**

There were four suspects identified from the vehicle entries recorded between January 1 2021, through to May 18, 2021.

There were six persons of interest identified related to the vehicle entries.

There were 7 people charged with criminal offences related to the vehicle entries.